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SUBJECT: MAJOR HOTELS IN GEORGETOWN HIT BY BOMB THREATS

1. DURING THE PAST TWO WEEKS, GEORGETOWN'S THREE MAJOR HOTELS, THE "PEGASUS", PARK", AND "TOWER", HAVE BEEN THE TARGET OF NUMEROUS ANONYMOUS BOMB THREATS. THE THREATS APPARENTLY WERE ORIGINALLY LIMITED TO PEGASUS, BUT MORE RECENTLY HAVE SPREAD TO THE TWO SMALLER HOTELS. TO DATE, NO BOMBS HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED. IN ADDITION, THREE MINOR FIRES, APPARENTLY SET BY ARSONISTS, HAVE STRUCK THE "PEGASUS". IN EACH INSTANCE DAMAGE WAS CONFINED TO ONE ROOM AND THERE WERE NO INJURIES OR LOSS OF LIFE.

2. THE GOVERNMENT-OWNED PRESS HAS NOT GIVEN ANY SIGNIFICANT PUBLICITY TO THE MOST RECENT BOMB THREATS, ALTHOUGH INCIDENTS AT THE PEGASUS WERE BRIEFLY NOTED IN THE LIMITED CIRCULATION AFTERNOON PAPER TWO WEEKS AGO. THE THREE HOTELS APPEAR TO BE COPING WITH THE SITUATION, THOUGH THE FIRE BELLS IN THE NIGHT HAVE BEEN DISCONCERTING TO GUESTS.

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3. COMMENT: APPARENTLY THERE ARE NO REAL CLUES AS TO EITHER THE IDENTITY OR MOTIVES OF THE PERPETRATORS ALTHOUGH THERE IS BROAD SPECULATION SUFFICIENT FOR ANY TASTE. SO FAR, THE BOMB THREATS HAVE BEEN MERELY ANOTHER MINOR IRRITANT TO TRAVELERS IN GUYANA, WHO MUST ALSO COPE WITH A HIGH CRIME RATE AND UNRELIABLE SUPPLIES

OF FOOD, WATER AND ELECTRICITY.
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